MAY CAUSE TROUBLE. Talk of Abolishing the Office of Health Marshal at Missoula.

Missoula, May 8.—A report has been circulated within the past day or two to the effect that to-morrow night the city council proposes to abolish the office of health marshal and take the management of the fire department into its own hands. of the fire department into its own hands, electing a new chief and a new engineer. What truth there is in the report is not known, but the circulation of it has stirred up the members of the fire department to a considerable degree. It is pretty safe to say that if the city council does monkey with the fire department the councilmen will be sorry for it.

The present fire department has been The present fire department has been in existence a number of years, and for a considerable part of that time R. S. Mentrum has been chief. About a year ago the council elected Mr. Mentrum health marshal, and for his work in the two positions pay him \$125 a month. In both positions he has given excellent service. As chief of the fire department he for several chief of the fire department he for several years kept the department together and harmonious, helped largely to keep up the interest and gained the respect and good will of the members to such a degree that his reelection from time to time was a foregone conclusion. As health marshal he has done his work well, and nobody knows how much his service has added to the healthfulness of the city by making people keep their premises clean and in other ways.

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Now, if the city council should decide to abolish the office of health marshal, Mr. Mentrum could not be expected to pay the same attention to the fire department as he does at present, while he is getting a salary. Should the city council see fit to go further and elect another chief of the fire department, it may cause the department to go to pieces. It makes no difference how good a man he is, the boys who for years have been giving their services to the city will resent any interference on the part of the council with their organization. These young men have not only left their work to fight fire but they have given much of their time to perfecting themselves in the duties of firemen, have given balls and

in other ways have raised money with which they have purchased hose and other necessary supplies. The city is under obligations to them, not they to the city. Years of patient work has made the deone of the best amateur departments in the state. If the council should, by meddling with it, cause it to disband. it will take years more to get another as good. If the city is left without a fire department, insurance rates will go up. It is notorious that volunteer fire departments are hard to keep together. This one has proved an exception to the rule in that way, but that is no sign another would be. If from any cause the present depart-ment should be induced to disband, it may be found necessary to get a regular paid department at an expense much eater than would be compensated by the improvement in the service.

FAST FREIGHT TRAINS. What the Union Pacific and Other Road

Propose to Do., CHICAGO, May 8.—E. L. Goodsell, a fruit merchant, well known in the East and on the Pacific coast, who has long been working to secure more rapid transportation for the deciduous fruit shipments of California to the East, has just been informed that the railroad companies east of Ogden have promised a service which will put the California fruit market in a position never before attained. Mr. Goodsell, who arrived from the West to-day, says the Union Pacific company, after con-sultation with the Chicago & Northwestern and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul companies made this proposition to the Southern Pacific company: The Southern Pacific shall schedule a special fruit freight to leave Sacramento at 6 p. m. daily and be turned over to the Union Paeific at Ogden 36 hours later. In considertion of this the Union Pacific, the Northwestern and the St. Paul roads, agree to deliver the train 72 hours later in Chicago leaving Ogden at 5 a. m.; Omaha, 10 a. m. the second day from Odgen, and arriving at Chicago at 7 a. m. the next day, the toat Chicago at 7 a. m. the next day, the to-tal time for the journey 108 to Chicago and 156 hours to New York; thus reducing the time of delivery by almost one-half. This schedule will make it possible to ship riper and more palata-ble fruit, with the positive assurance that such shipments will reach their destination in good condition. The service goes into operation as soon as four ear loads are offered in one train, that being the minimum number that will be accepted while the season is opening. Mr. Goodsell is now laboring with eastern lines for corresponding concessions to the seaboard.

Billings Briefs.

Special Correspondence of the Standard. BILLINGS, May 6 .- Armour, alias Me-Coy, has been held to the present term of the district court on the charge of grand larceny, it having been shown that he shipped two car loads of horses from Red Lodge, which had on the brand of Fred Hesse of Wyoming, and sold them in Da-kota. Amour is the man who made such a desperate attempt to break jail a month ago, but was frustrated by the brave and prompt action of the sheriff's wife and

District court opened on Tuesday and a great many motions and other busines that laymen can't very well understand have been disposed of. The juries will be called next week. The case of Edgerton vs. Edgerton came up on a motion to strike out part of the defendant's answer, but the case was continued for the term. Mrs. Edgerton seeks to set aside the de cree of divorce which the Helena banker obtained several years ago in this court, as the plaintiff alleges, by fraud.

The school trustees have reengaged all the present staff of teachers except Miss Stanley, who resigned. Her position has been tendered to Miss Rena Stanley of

Boise Notes.

Special Correspondence of the Standard. Boise, Idaho, May 7 .- The scheme of the state and city to run a large ditch from the Boise river to supply the penitentiary and city with water, seems to have died out about as suddenly as it came into exist-ence. Why the city council does not settle the water supply question is a mystery to everyone who is interested in the welfare

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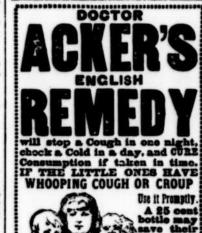
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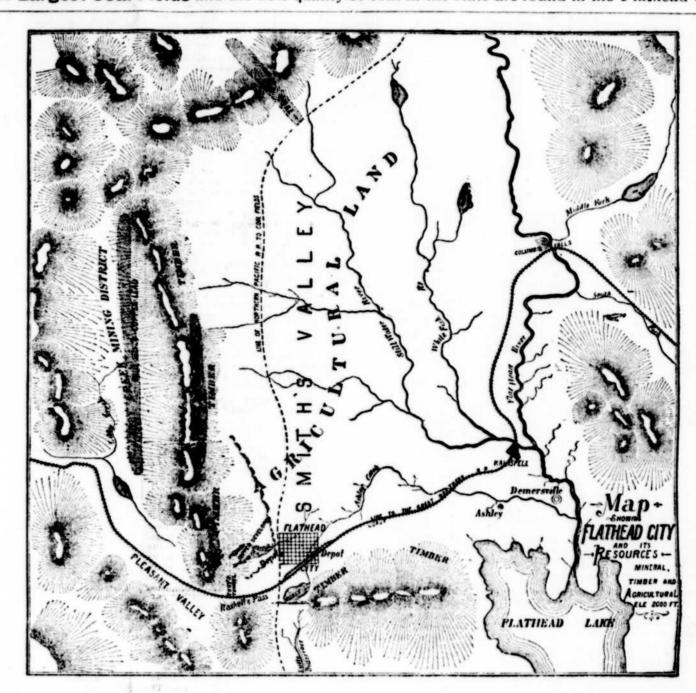
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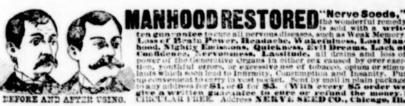


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